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Title : Need to construct bridges over Ranganadi and Kakoi rivers under NLCPR fund for inter-state connectivity between Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.

DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA (LAKHIMPUR): I like to draw attention of the government regarding urgent necessity of constructing two bridges required for inter-state connectivity between Assam and Arunachal Pradesh besides providing an alternate route to NH52 bypassing the Lakhimpur Town. A bridge over Rangahadi river connecting either Gendhali-Nowboicha-G.K.Dutta Road at Gendhali ghat or Panigaon-Kharkati-Ahomoni-Mirigaon Road at Phatasuti ghat is urgently required not only to serve a population of 98,000 mostly from farming ST, SC and minority community but would also serve as an alternate route to NH52 through NLKB Road incase of emergency of the existing bridge which is already outdated and unable to meet the present requirement. Another bridge over river Kakoi on the Lilabari Siajuli Road linking NH52 with Rajgarh Road of Assam-Arunachal Pradesh Border is urgently required to serve a population of more than 62,000 belonging mostly to Tribal, Tea garden and other backward communities of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh besides providing connectivity to Lilabari Airport, Lakhimpur Civil Hospital, Lakhimpur College of Veterinary Science as well as Siajuli and Chinatolia Tea Estate.

I therefore, urge upon the Government specially the Ministry of DoNER to take up these two important bridge projects of inter-state importance urgently with the Government of Assam for funding under NLCPR as per the estimate already prepared by Assam PWD.